FISCAL NOTE

HB 936 - SB 1165

March 14, 2007

SUMMARY OF BILL: Authorizes sheriffs and constables to retain the full fee of either \$20 (in person) or \$10 (by mail) for unsuccessful service of process. Currently, they may retain \$7 for an unsuccessful attempt.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase Local Govt. Revenues – Exceeds \$100,000 Decrease Local Govt. Expenditures – Not Significant

Assumptions:

- In most counties the sheriffs are attempting to reach individuals in person and therefore, the majority of the time there will be \$13 in additional revenue to local governments each time an unsuccessful attempt to serve process is made.
- In Sumner County alone there are approximately 480 unsuccessful attempts to serve process each year.
- At least 7,700 unsuccessful attempts to serve process statewide each year.
- Any reduction in local government expenditures due to a reduction in administrative cost due to not issuing refunds for a portion of the service of process fee is estimated to be not significant.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James W. White, Executive Director